

Application No. 10/523,504

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AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

Listing of Claims:

Claim 1 (previously presented) A patient restraint member for use in medical procedures, comprising:

an integral, unitary sheet having an inner surface and an outer surface, with only a single layer of material between those surfaces, said material being formed of a thermoplastic material that can be softened upon heating so as to be formable into a shape corresponding to a patient's body part to be restrained and setting upon cooling to retain the shape, the sheet having a perimeter edge lying in a common plane and with the inner surface of the sheet arranged to directly engage the patient's body part to restrain movement of the patient's body part;

spaced apart groups of perforations in the sheet;

non-perforated solid bands extending between the groups of perforations;

a generally planar U-shaped frame arranged to be attached to and extending around a portion of the perimeter edge of the sheet and being coplanar with the perimeter edge.

Claim 2 (previously presented) The patient restraint member of claim 1 wherein the bands extend inwardly from the perimeter edge.

Claim 3 (previously presented) The patient restraint member of claim 2 wherein the bands intersect at a location spaced inwardly from the perimeter edge.

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Claim 4 (previously presented) The patient restraint member of claim 2 wherein the bands extend perpendicular to the perimeter edge.

Claim 5 (previously presented) The patient restraint member of claim 2 wherein the bands extend in a non-perpendicular angle from the perimeter edge.

Claim 6 (Original) The patient restraint member of claim 2 wherein the bands extend completely across the sheet.

Claim 7 (previously presented) The patient restraint member of claim 1 wherein the perimeter edge is without perforations.

Claim 8 (previously presented) The patient restraint member of claim 1 wherein the bands extend across the sheet.

Claim 9 (previously presented) The patient restraint member of claim 1 wherein the spaces between the groups of perforations define the bands.

Claim 10 (previously presented) A patient restraint member for use in medical procedures, comprising:

a partially perforated, integral, unitary sheet having an inner surface and an outer surface, with only a single layer of material between those surfaces, said material being formed of a thermoplastic material that can be softened upon heating so as to be formable into a shape corresponding to a patient's body part to be restrained and setting upon cooling to retain the shape,

the sheet having a perimeter edge lying in a common plane and with the inner surface of the sheet arranged to directly engage the patient's body part to restrain movement of the patient's body part;

at least one non-perforated band extending at least partially across the sheet to enhance rigidity of the sheet; and

a generally planar U-shaped frame arranged to be attached to and extending around a portion of the perimeter edge of the sheet and being coplanar with the perimeter edge.

Claim 11 (previously presented) The patient restraint member of claim 10 wherein the at least one band extends perpendicular to the perimeter edge.

Claim 12 (previously presented) The patient restraint member of claim 10 the at least one band extends at a non-perpendicular angle to the perimeter edge.

Claim 13 (previously presented) The patient restraint member of claim 10 wherein the sheet has opposite side edges and opposite top and bottom edges, and wherein the edges are non-perforated.

Claim 14 (previously presented) The patient restraint member of claim 13 wherein the at least one band extends between the opposite side edges.

Claim 15 (previously presented) The patient restraint member of claim 10 wherein the at least one band extends completely across the sheet.

Claim 16 (previously presented) The patient restraint member of claim 10 further comprising a plurality of non-perforated bands extending inwardly from the perimeter edge.

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Claim 17 (previously presented) The patient restraint member of claim 10 wherein the at least one band comprises plural bands which criss-cross the sheet.